Delay in creation of infrastructure facilities

587. SHRI RAHUL BAJAJ:
SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many infrastructure facilities planned for Commonwealth Games, 2010 are not keeping pace with the scheduled time table;

(b) if so, the details of all such projects, delay involved and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps being taken to complete the work well in time?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) and (b) No, Sir. For sports infrastructure, the various stakeholders have indicated their specific time-lines with reference to key milestones viz. finalization of detailed designs, commencement of tendering process, start of work and completion of work. The work is progressing as per these time-lines.

(c) The target date for completion of all the infrastructure projects is the end of the year 2009. A number of arrangements have been made for ensuring proper planning and the completion of these projects with the specific time-lines and key milestones indicated by the stakeholders viz., finalization of detailed design and estimates; commencement of tendering process, award of work; commencement of work, completion of work; and handing over to OC. An Empowered Committee has been set up under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary, GNCTD with representatives from all the agencies/authorities concerned to facilitate, speedy clearances in respect of the Games-related projects. Another Committee has been set up by the Ministry of Urban Development to facilitate clearances by the Delhi Urban Arts Commission (DUAC). For monitoring these projects, Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) have been engaged to develop, install and commission a web-based project monitoring system.

Formula One Grand Prix Racing Championship in India

†588. SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that from 2009 onwards, the world's most expensive and high profile sports 'Formula One Grand Prix Racing' Car Championship would also be organized in India;

(b) if so, whether a permanent track would be constructed for this purpose in the Capital; and

(c) whether any place has been located for this purpose and the estimated expenditure likely to be incurred on this?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) The Ministry has not received any proposal from either the Indian

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